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In re application of: J. R. Dean et al.

Serial No.: 09/282,615

Filed: March 31, 1999

For: CONFIGURATION OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS BASED UPON PURCHASERS COMPONENT NEEDS AS DETERMINED FROM PURCHASER DATA ENTRIES CORRELATED WITH A SET OF SELLER BUSINESS RULES TO OPTIMIZE QUANTITIES OF EACH COMPONENT SOLO

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Serial No: 09/282,615 : Law Department - 4054  
Filed: March 31, 1999 : International Business  
Title: CONFIGURATION OF : Machines Corporation  
COMPUTER SYSTEMS BASED UPON : 11400 Burnet Road  
PURCHASERS COMPONENT NEEDS AS : Austin, Texas 78758  
DETERMINED FROM PURCHASER :  
DATA ENTRIES CORRELATED WITH :  
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